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RESPONSE TO NOTICE REGARDING DRAWINGS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Randolph Building, Mail Stop Issue Fees 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

The present communication is responsive to the "Notice Regarding Drawings," mailed January 3, 2006. This notice states that drawings are missing and that a formal copy must be supplied.

No drawings were filed in this case on August 17, 2001, or at any time thereafter. Reference is made to the "Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312," filed on December 21, 2005. This amendment deletes all reference to the drawings in the specification. If this amendment is approved, then it will be clear from a reading of the specification that the application does not have drawings nor does it refer to any drawings.

In re of Appln. No. 09/831,629

The communication of January 3, 2006, states that the two-month time period to correct informalities is not extendable and failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in abandonment of the application. The corrective action has already been taken by amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312, filed on December 21, 2005. Accordingly, such amendment of December 21, 2005, in conjunction with the present response, must be taken as a fully responsive correction of the informalities noted in the communication of January 3, 2006, and no abandonment of the present application is appropriate.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the "Notice Regarding Drawings" in light of applicants' amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312, filed December 21, 2005, is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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